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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action of August 12, 2005, and further to a discussion with the Examiner on October 4, 2005, Applicants request reconsideration in view of the following amendment and remarks, and further in view of the Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132, submitted concurrently herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Basis for the Amendment begins on page 10 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

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